

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A medical device, comprising:  
an alloy comprising greater than about 50 weight percent of platinum, and a 300 series stainless steel, the alloy comprising in total from about 3 to about 22 weight percent of chromium, less than about 4 weight percent of molybdenum, wherein the alloy forms a portion of the medical device.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises from about 1 to about 4 weight percent of molybdenum.
4. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 55 weight percent of platinum.
5. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 60 weight percent of platinum.
6. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 65 weight percent of platinum.
7. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 70 weight percent of platinum.

8. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 80 weight percent of platinum.

9. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 90 weight percent of platinum.

10. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy further comprises nickel.

11. (Original) The device of claim 10, wherein the alloy comprises less than about 6 weight percent of nickel.

12. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy ~~further~~ comprises copper, manganese, nickel, phosphorus, silicon, nitrogen, sulfur, and carbon.

13. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy comprises less than about 25 weight percent of iron.

14. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy is substantially fully martensitic.

15. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy is at least about 50% martensitic.

16. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy is at least about 70% martensitic.

17. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy is at least about 90% martensitic.
18. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy has a pitting resistance equivalent of greater than about 26.
19. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy has a hardness of greater than about 24 HRC.
20. (Previously presented) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy has an ultimate tensile strength of greater than about 140 ksi.
21. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the alloy has a density of greater than about 11 g/cc.
22. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the device is adapted to be implanted in a body.
23. (Original) The device of claim 22, wherein the device is in the form of a fixation device, a prosthesis, a hip stem, a knee tray, or a dental prosthesis.
24. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the device is adapted to be a surgical instrument.
25. (Original) The device of claim 24, wherein the instrument is in the form of a pair of forceps, a clamp, a needle, a pair of scissors, or a scalpel.

26. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the device is in the form of a balloon catheter comprising a cutting element comprising the alloy.

27. (Previously presented) A medical device, comprising an alloy comprising a stainless steel and greater than about 50% by weight of platinum, wherein the stainless steel is a 300 series stainless steel.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Previously presented) The device of claim 27, wherein the stainless steel is 316 stainless steel.

30. (Previously presented) The device of claim 27, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 60% by weight of platinum.

31. (Previously presented) The device of claim 27, wherein the alloy comprises greater than about 70% by weight of platinum.

32. (Original) The device of claim 27, wherein the alloy further comprises chromium and molybdenum.

33. (Original) The device of claim 27, wherein the alloy is at least about 50% martensitic.

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Previously presented) The device of claim 27, wherein the alloy consists essentially of the stainless steel, platinum, chromium, and molybdenum.

36. (Previously presented) The device of claim 35, wherein the chromium is less than about 22 weight percent of the alloy, and the molybdenum is less than about 4 weight percent of the alloy.

37. (Canceled)

38. (Canceled)

39. (Canceled)

40. (Canceled)

41. (Previously presented) A composition, comprising greater than about 50 weight percent of platinum, and a series 300 stainless steel, the composition comprising in total from about 3 to about 22 weight percent of chromium and from about 1 to about 4 weight percent of molybdenum.

42. (Canceled)

43. (Canceled)

44. (Original) The composition of claim 41, comprising greater than about 55 weight percent of platinum.

45. (Original) The composition of claim 41, comprising greater than about 60 weight percent of platinum.

46. (Original) The composition of claim 41, comprising greater than about 65 weight percent of platinum.

47. (Original) The composition of claim 41, comprising greater than about 70 weight percent of platinum.

48. (Original) The composition of claim 41, further comprising nickel.

49. (Original) The composition of claim 48, comprising less than about 6 weight percent of nickel.

50. (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 41, ~~further~~ comprising copper, manganese, nickel, phosphorus, silicon, nitrogen, sulfur, and carbon.

51. (Original) The composition of claim 41, comprising less than about 25 weight percent of iron.

52. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition is substantially fully martensitic.

53. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition is at least about 50% martensitic.

54. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition is at least about 70% martensitic.

55. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition is at least about 90% martensitic.

56. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition has a pitting resistance equivalent of greater than about 26.

57. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition has a hardness of greater than about 24 HRC.

58. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition has an ultimate tensile strength of greater than about 140 ksi.

59. (Original) The composition of claim 41, wherein the composition has a density of greater than about 11 g/cc.

60. (Currently Amended) A medical device, comprising:  
an alloy comprising from 6 to 22 weight percent of chromium, from 1 weight percent to 4 weight percent of molybdenum, greater than 60 weight percent of platinum, and iron, wherein the alloy forms a portion of the medical device, and the medical device is selected from the group consisting of forceps, a clamp, a needle, scissors, a scalpel, a cutting element for a medical balloon, a hip stem, a knee tray, a vascular filter, and a guidewire.

61. (Currently Amended) A medical device, comprising:  
an alloy comprising from 3 to 20 weight percent of chromium, from about 1 weight percent to about 4 weight percent molybdenum, greater than 80 weight percent of platinum, and iron, wherein the alloy forms a portion of the medical device, and the medical device is selected from the group consisting of forceps, a clamp, a needle, scissors, a scalpel, a cutting element for a medical balloon, a hip stem, a knee tray, a vascular filter, and a guidewire.

62. (Currently Amended) A medical device, comprising:

an alloy comprising from about 3 to about 22 weight percent of chromium, less than about 4 weight percent of molybdenum, greater than about 50 weight percent of platinum, iron, copper, manganese, nickel, phosphorus, silicon, nitrogen, sulfur, and carbon,

wherein the alloy forms a portion of the medical device, and the medical device is selected from the group consisting of forceps, a clamp, a needle, scissors, a scalpel, a cutting element for a medical balloon, a hip stem, a knee tray, a vascular filter, and a guidewire.

63. Canceled